



# Minnesota Board of Barber Examiners

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BOARD MEETING

MONDAY January 26, 2015

Minutes

Members Present: Jon Stone, James Robinson, Clarence Jones, and Kenneth Kirkpatrick

Absent: None

Staff Present: Thora Fisko, Executive Secretary and Trevor White

1) Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 8:30am by Chair Stone.

2) Approve Agenda

Motion by member Robinson to approve agenda with additional items, second by member Jones, 4 ayes motion carried unanimously.

3) Approve Minutes - November 24, 2014

Motion by member Robinson to approve the minutes of the November meeting as presented, second by member Kirkpatrick, 4 ayes, motion carried unanimously.

**Unfinished Business**

4) Saint Paul International Barber School 990 Payne Ave, Saint Paul

It was reported that Board staff sent notice of an application for the new barber school was sent via certified mail 30 days prior to the meeting to the four licensed barber shops identified to be within one mile of the proposed new school. Responses were received from two of the barber shops with both indicating concerns regarding impact to their business and parking in the neighborhood.

Board members asked questions of the applicants and Clifton Doran owner of one of the barber shops responding spoke to the Board expressing opposition due to concerns for potential negative impact to his business and that of other area barber shops.

The Board's determination:

School licensed for no more than 12 students at any one time.

Discussed changes to the school handbook to be completed.

And the school must have a satisfactory inspection prior to opening.

Motion by member Jones to accept the application, second by member Kirkpatrick, 4 ayes, no nays motion carried unanimously.

5) National Exam

The Board reviewed information from the National-Interstate Council (NIC) of State Boards of Cosmetology regarding available nationally Standardized as required by Minnesota Statute Chapter 214.03 Subd 1.

After some discussion and questions by Board members and members of the public present, it was determined that more information is required. The Executive Secretary will contact NIC for additional information or possibly a representative to present to the Board.

Member Kirkpatrick indicated he would check with the National Association of Barber Boards or America (NABBA) at the mid-winter conference if NABBA is going to develop an exam.

Motion by member Robinson to have a presentation by a NIC representative for the Board, second by member Kirkpatrick, 4 ayes, motion carried unanimously.

6) Out State Meetings

Member Jones shared the McKnight Foundation regional map for use by the Executive Secretary to make projections regarding potential cost of outstate meetings in regions 4 and 6 pre the McKnight regional map.

7) Annual Review of By-Laws

Motion by member Robinson to accept the By-laws with revisions, seconded by member Kirkpatrick, 4 ayes motion carried unanimously.

**New Business**

8) Reciprocity Applications

A. Ridha Bahi – Tunisia

Unable to attend the meeting requests his application be heard in March.

B. Kadir Gobena – Ethiopia

Motion by member Jones, based upon documentation provided the applicant is required to attend barber school, second by member Robinson, 4 ayes, motion carried unanimously.

C. Angel Mora-Vivar- Ecuador- Moved to the end of the meeting.

9) Variance Request

A. Conrad Colombo- Motion by member Robinson that Mr. Colombo complete his Minnesota apprenticeship hours and then be allowed to sit for the master barber examination when qualified, second by member Jones, 4 ayes, motion carried unanimously.

10) Travel Request

A. Member Kirkpatrick - Midwinter NABBA Conference

Motion by member Robinson to approve the travel, second by member Jones, 4 ayes motion carried unanimously.

11) Hair removal via depilatory wax

Executive secretary reports that the question comes to the office regarding barbers being allowed to wax. The answer the office staff gives is that waxing is a service that is

regulated by the board of cosmetology examiners as part of the cosmetologist and esthetician licenses. Therefore waxing is not barber service.

Chair Stone indicated that staff should continue to reply that waxing is not within the scope of practice of barbering per the definition of barbering within the statute.

Member Jones left the meeting at 9:30am

12) Correspondence

- A. Draft letter from the Board to MCTC to reconsider closing of MCTC Barber School  
Motion by member Robinson to accept and send the letter as drafted, second by member Stone, 2 ayes, motion carried. Abstained: member Kirkpatrick, and absent member Jones.

13) Inspector Report

Inspector Trevor White reported:

241 shops visited 201 completed inspections, 16 attempted inspections, and 24 shops have closed.

Violations include: 25 expired individuals, 5 expired shops, and some minor sanitation violations were found.

14) Executive Secretary Report

A. Renewals –

102 Apprentice renewed and 40 pending

1756 Master barbers renewed and 249 pending

B. Financial-

1. Mileage rate for 2015 increased to .575

2. New Expense Reports provided to members.

3. Annual salary increase for Executive Secretary

Motion by member Robinson to approve, second by member Kirkpatrick, 3 ayes, motion carried, absent member Jones.

4. Board Revenue and Expenditures reports provided to the Board

C. February Exam-

13 Apprentice applicants

14 Master applicants

Numbers are down from previous years however, changes to requirements that allow individuals to renew for up to four years without exam which use to be one year accounts for the drop as fewer barbers are required to re-exam.

- D. As discussed previously the 10% surcharge on all licenses goes to MN.IT and to date the Board has not received funds from that surcharge. Recently the Board was notified of the availability of up to \$100,000 of previously collected surcharge funds for licensing system development. MN.IT staff are developing a Request for Proposals.

E. Legislative Activity-

The Executive Secretary has been visiting Senators and Representatives to introduce the Barber Board and Board activities to the legislators.

Current oversight committees:

Senate Policy: State and Local Government Chair Sen. Torres-Ray

Senate Financial: State Departments and Veterans Budget Division Chair Sen. Saxhaug

House Policy: Government Operations Rep. Sanders

House Financial: State Government Finance Rep. Anderson

Currently there is one policy item related to adding the Temporary Military Licensing as passed last year into the barber statutes in a format consistent with other requirements.

15) Call for Public Comments

None

16) Open Discussion

None

17) Meeting Schedule

March 23, 2015

May 18, 2015

July 27, 2015 – Tentative

September 28, 2015 – Tentative

November 23, 2015 – Tentative

Complaint Committee meets in closed session following the board meetings

Reciprocity Application Angel Mora-Vivar- Ecuador-

Motion by member Kirkpatrick to issue a temporary apprentice license and approve for master examination, second by member Robinson, 3 ayes, motion carried, absent member Jones.

18) Adjournment

Motion by member Robinson, second by member Kirkpatrick, meeting adjourned at 10:55am.